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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Kenton T. Davis *et al.*
APPLICATION No.: 09/863,791
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FOR: **ELEMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR
HETEROGENEOUS TELE-
COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK**

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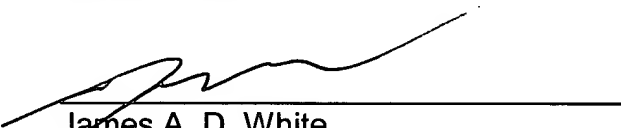
Authorization for Extensions of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3)

Sir:

With respect to the above-identified application, the Commissioner is authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) for its timely submission as incorporating a petition therefor for the appropriate length of time. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0665.

Respectfully submitted,
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